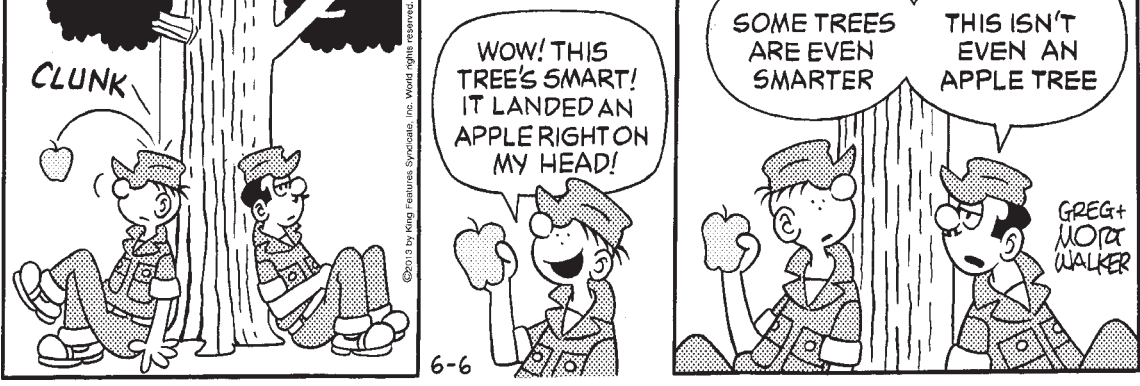


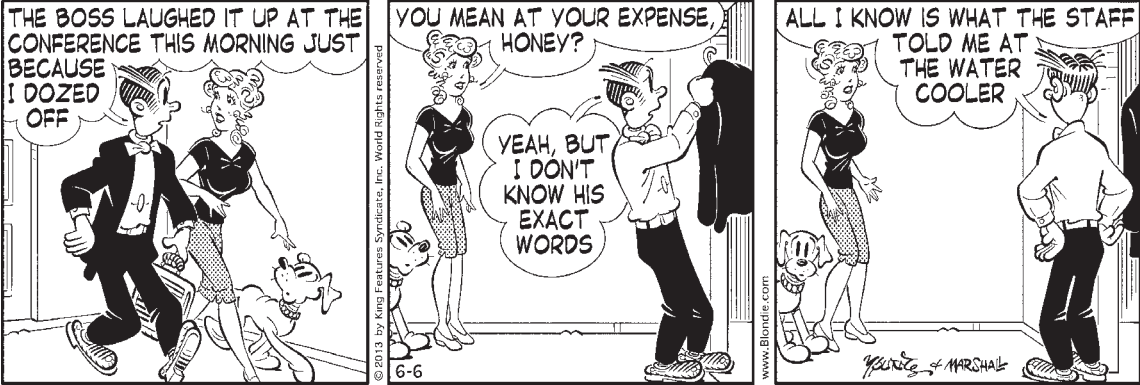
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Beetle Bailey • Mort Walker



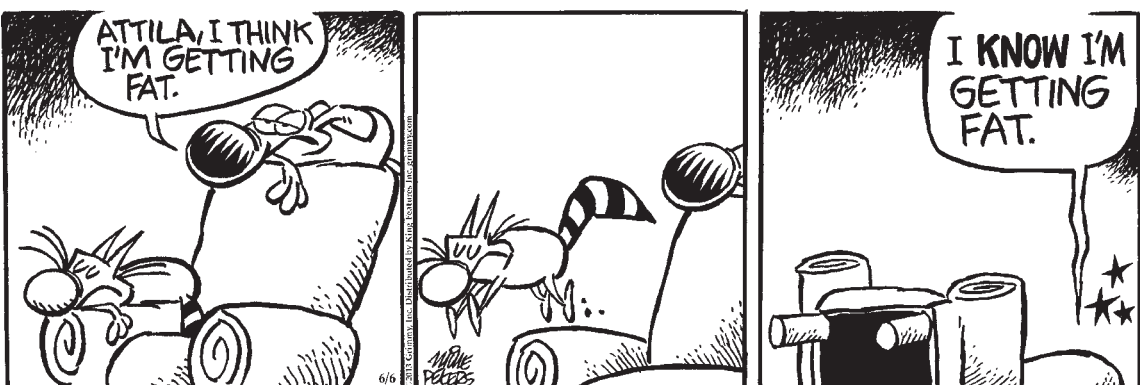
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Mother Goose and Grimm • Mike Peters



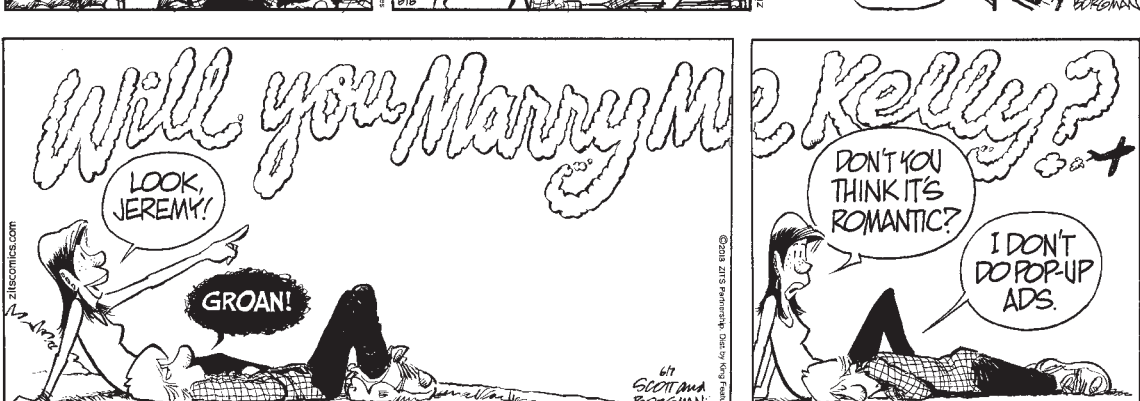
Sally Forth • Greg Howard



Todd the Dinosaur • Patrick Roberts



Zits • Jim Borgman & Jerry Scott



Terry Kovel

• Antiques and Collecting

Pocket lighter was a souvenir

Q: I am a retired U.S. Air Force sergeant. Sometime during my 20 years of service, I received a chrome-plated "Camp David" Zippo pocket lighter. The front has a black engraving of the camp's entryway, with a rope-like circle around the image. I understand it has some value. True?

A: Zippo lighters were first made in Bradford, Pa., in 1932. When smoking was more socially acceptable than it is now, lighters were popular souvenirs. The military, as well as U.S. presidents, purchased them to give as souvenirs to servicemen and visiting dignitaries. Camp David was built in the 1930s and was used as a presidential retreat starting in 1942. But it wasn't called "Camp David" until 1953, when President Dwight David Eisenhower renamed the retreat after his grandson, David Eisenhower.

Other marks on your lighter may help you date it. A lighter matching yours, made in 1972, is for sale online with its original box and insert. The asking price is \$45.

Q: My mother-in-law gave my daughter a vintage dress labeled "Harvey Berin, designed by Karen Stark." My mother-in-law was a music instructor at the local high school and put on musicals every year. This dress was donated to her to use in the musicals. When she retired, she gave the dress to my daughter to wear to the prom. Can you tell us anything about the designer and maker of this dress?

A: Harvey Berin started his clothing business in 1921. He is known for his cocktail and evening dresses made from the 1940s until 1970. Berin bought dresses in Paris and had the designs adapted by designer Karen Stark, his sister-in-law. He approved the designs before the dresses were made.

First Lady Patricia Nixon wore a gown designed by "Karen Stark for Berin" to the 1969 inaugural balls. The dress is now in the Smithsonian. Berin closed his business in 1970.

Q: I have a blue-and-white ironstone platter with a floral border and a center scene of a horse-drawn stagecoach with several men riding on top. It's marked "Coaching Scenes, Made in England by Johnson Bros., a genuine hand engraving, all decoration under the glaze detergent & acid resisting colour, ironstone, Passing Through." I would like to know what it could be worth.

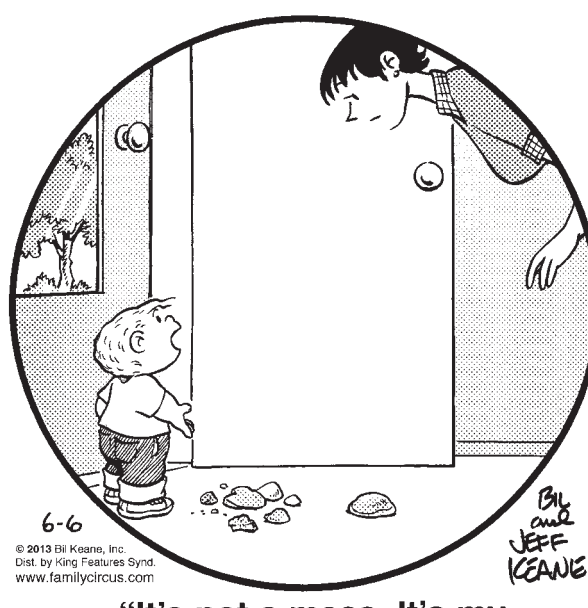
A: Johnson Brothers was founded in 1883 in Hanley, England, and is still in business. In 1968 it became part of the Wedgwood Group, which became part of WWRD in 2009.

The word "detergent" is a clue to age. Although the first detergents were made in the 1930s, they didn't become popular until the 1940s. Johnson Brothers introduced its "Coaching Scenes" series in 1963 and continued producing it until 1999. Dishes were blue and white, pink and white and green and white with different center scenes.

"Passing Through" is the name of the scene on your plate. Value of your plate: about \$35.

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Family Circus • Bil Keane



Conceptis Sudoku • Dave Green

6	5			8				
4				1				
			3		2			
			1				6	4
	2					5		
8	9			4				
		7		5				
			2					1
			6					3
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Difficulty Level ★★★ 6/06

This is a logic-based number placement puzzle. The goal is to enter a number, 1-9, in each cell in which each row, column and 3x3 region must contain only one instance of each numeral. The solution to the last Sudoku puzzle is at right.

4	5	9	7	8	3	6	1	2
3	8	1	4	6	2	9	7	5
2	6	7	9	5	1	8	4	3
7	3	2	6	9	4	5	8	1
5	9	8	2	1	7	4	3	6
1	4	6	5	3	8	2	9	7
8	7	5	3	4	6	1	2	9
9	2	4	1	7	5	3	6	8
6	1	3	8	2	9	7	5	4

Cryptoquip

GIOWNITB GVKBLQX GYIVYB
GOKPR-TKN QWEC CI K
OKUE NUICFWU OLFXC NW
TKQPLQX PFWWR-CI-PFLPI
Yesterday's Cryptoquip: RECENTLY UNEARTHED BEATLES TUNE WHOSE SUBJECT DEALT WITH A MARTIAL-ARTS SYSTEM: "HEY JUDO."
Today's Cryptoquip Clue: N equals B

Crossword • Eugene Sheffer

ACROSS
1 Height of fashion?
4 First victim
8 Expansive
12 Retirement plan
13 Sushi bar
14 Grooving on
15 Plaid garment
17 Greek vowels
18 Small barrel
19 Irish overcoats
21 Wunderkind
24 Thither
25 Atmosphere
26 — sauce
28 Florida city
32 Mid-month date
34 Chow down
36 Painter
37 Chagall

DOWN
1 That guy
2 Mound stat
3 Holy fish?
4 Pedro's pals
5 Re-cycling receptacle
6 Jacob's brother
7 Humble
8 "Platoon" locale
9 Initial stake
10 Celebrity
11 Pitch
16 Barbie's companion
20 Drunkard
21 Twosome
22 Stash
23 Curly's brother
27 Shril bark
29 Coconut cookie
30 Senior moment?
31 Zits
33 Take a chair
35 Slight amount
38 Army rank
40 Ten-year period
43 Sanaa's land
45 Bear hair
46 Country singer
47 — podrida
48 A-line designer
49 Sitarist's rendition
53 Upper limit
54 Aye rival
55 Mamie's man

Solution time: 25 mins.

O	C	T	M	Y	R	A	H	A	L		
S	H	E	A	E	O	N	O	G	R	E	
L	A	X	S	W	E	E	T	T	A	L	K
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P	A	R	S	U	R	G	E	F	O	B	
I	S	I	S	S	O	U	R	P	U	S	S
T	H	E	T	A	T	E	A	R			
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S	O	U	R	C	R	E	A	M	N	A	Y
P	I	L	E	M	E	N	U	D	I	E	
A	L	T	O	S	K	I	S	O	L	D	

Yesterday's answer 6-6

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11		
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